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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

Regulations relative to inspection and disinfection of vessels from San Francisco, Cal., at Pacific coast quarantine stations modified.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

The following instructions were wired, September 28, by the Bureau, to the quarantine officers at Port Townsend, Wash.; Astoria, Oreg.; and Eureka, Los Angeles, San Diego, and San Luis Obispo, Cal.:

“In view length time since occurrence last case plague San Francisco, authorized discontinue routine inspection and disinfection San Francisco vessels except those arriving sickness on board.”

Reports from San Francisco, Cal.—Plague-prevention work.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue reports:

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Week ended September 19.

Date of last case.....	Sickened, January 30, 1908
Sick inspected.....	7
Dead inspected.....	131
Premises inspected.....	15,033
Houses disinfected.....	134
Houses destroyed.....	2
Buildings condemned.....	13
Nuisances abated.....	1,964
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Rats found dead.....	469
Rat strapped.....	4,432
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Total rats taken.....	4,901
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Rats identified:	
Mus norvegicus.....	3,530
Mus rattus.....	146
Mus musculus.....	906
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Total.....	4,582
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Rats examined bacteriologically.....	3,073
Poisons placed.....	136,790